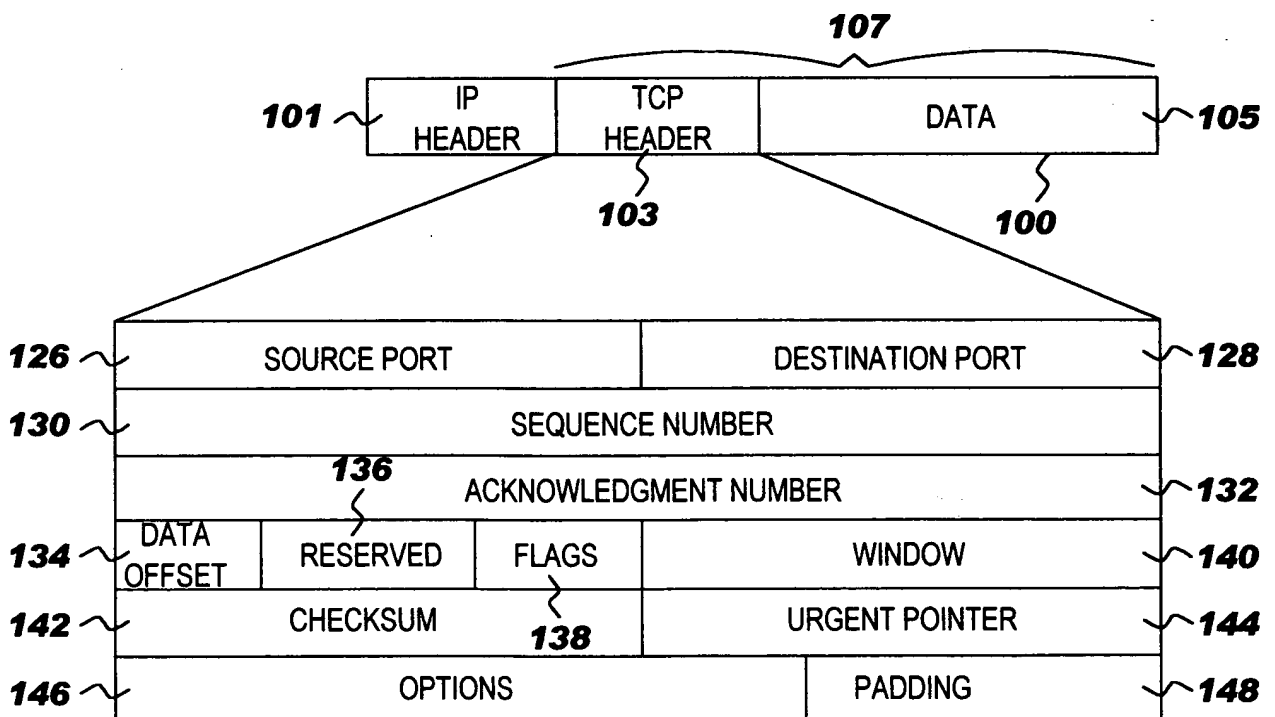
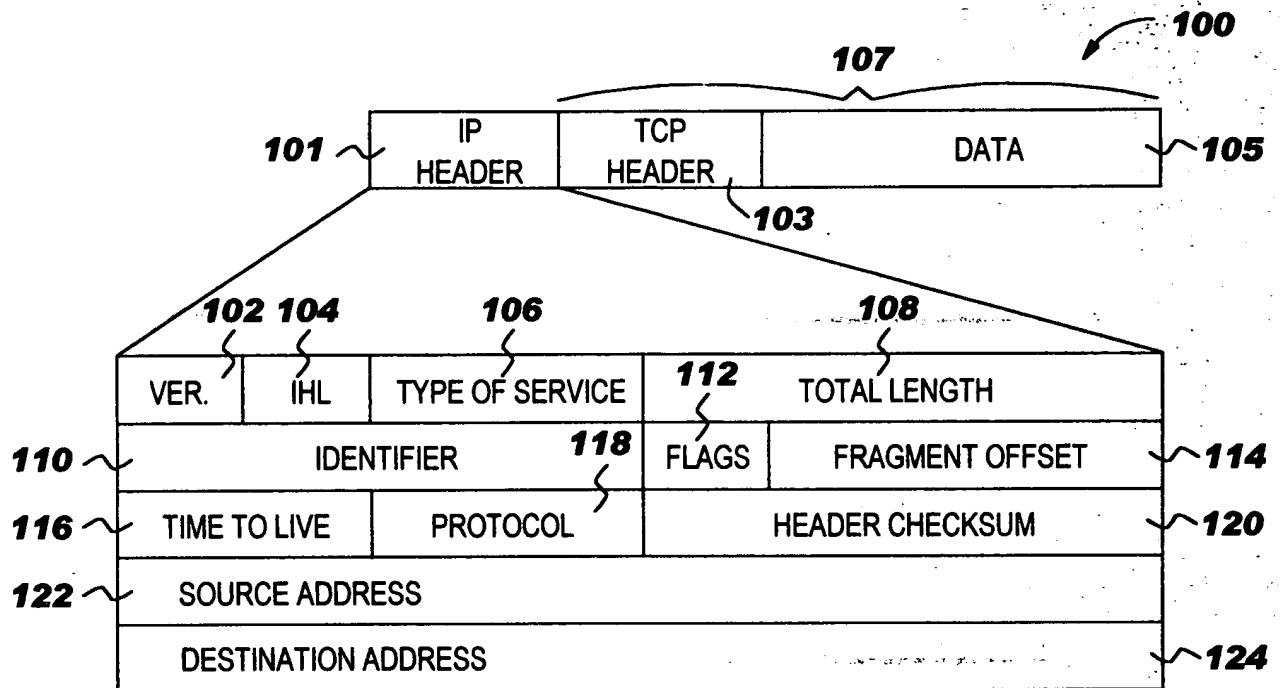


FIG. 1  
(Prior Art)



**FIG. 2**  
(Prior Art)

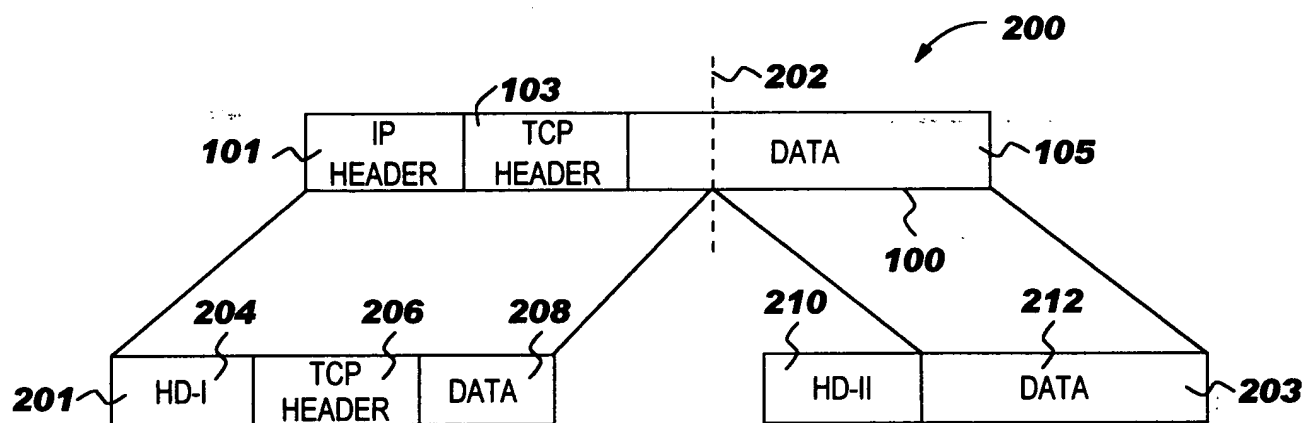


FIG. 3  
(Prior Art)

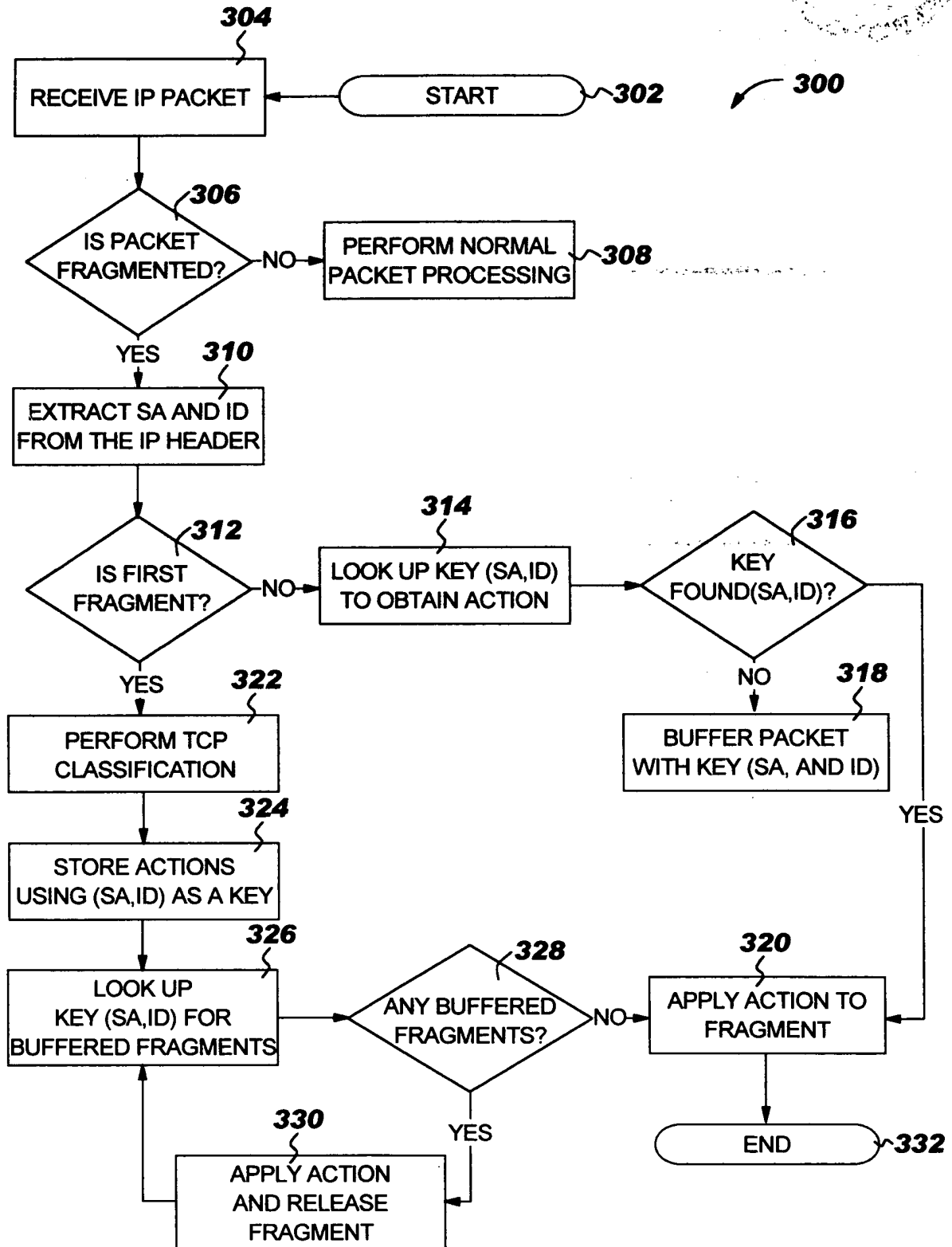


FIG. 4

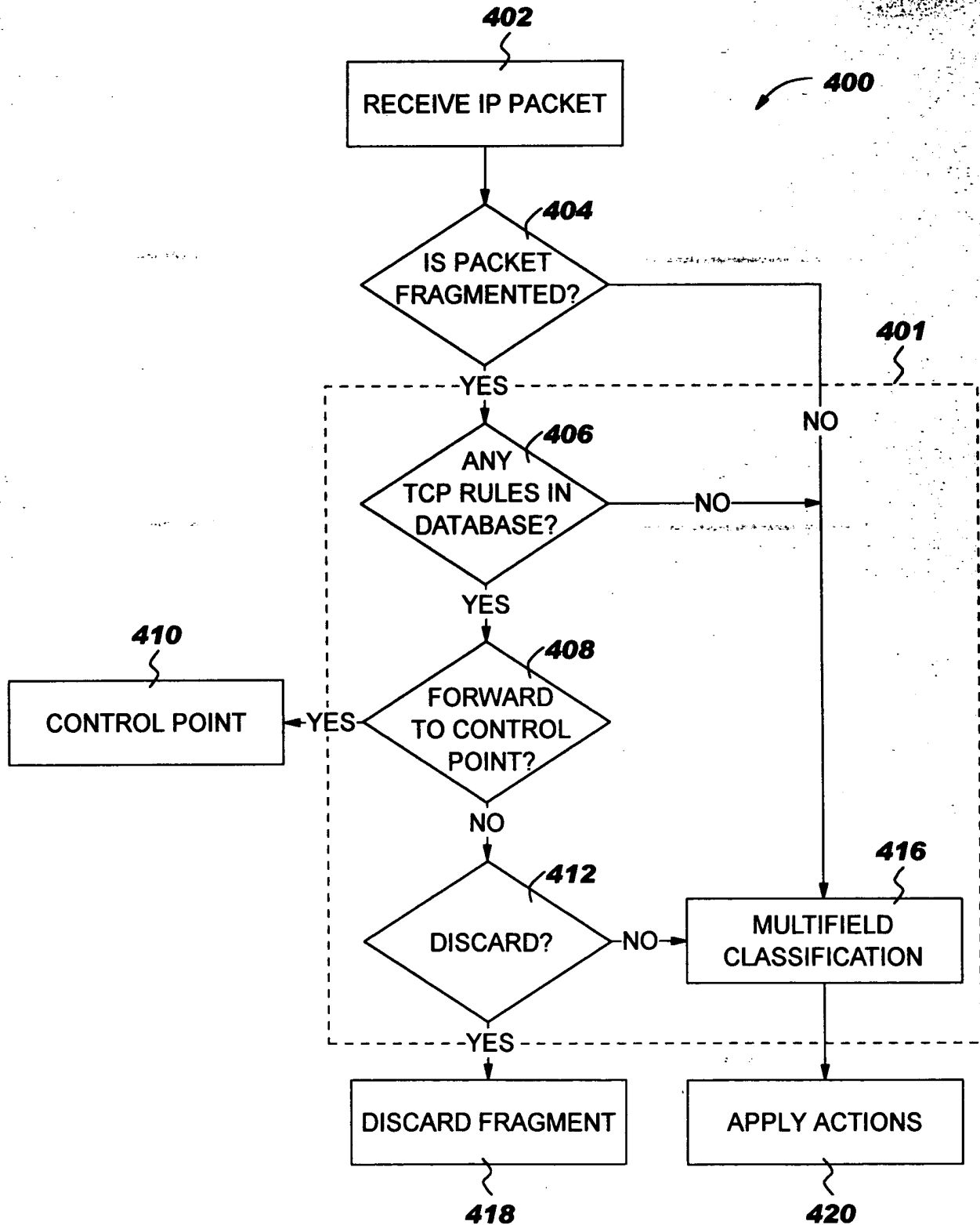


FIG. 5

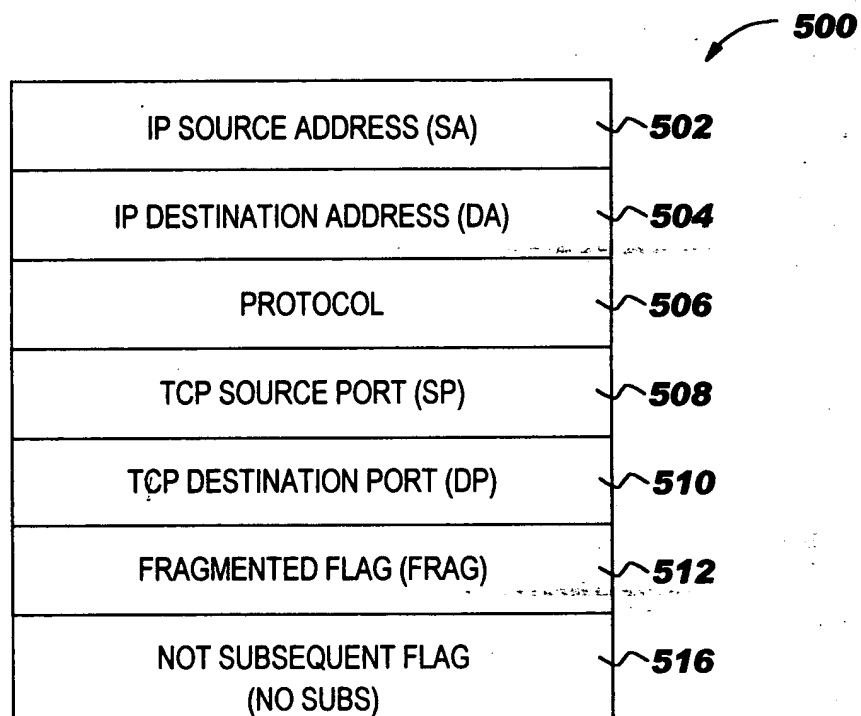


FIG. 6

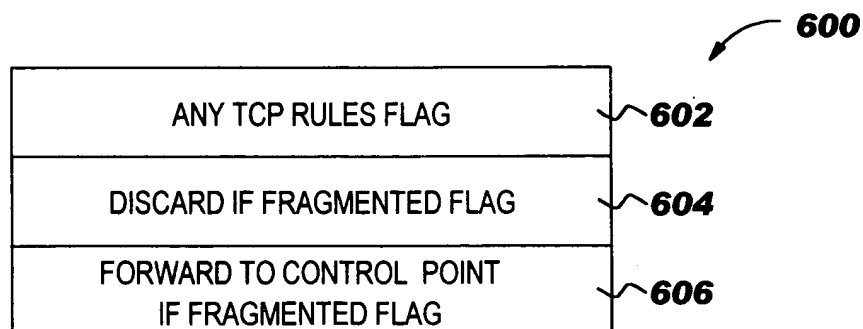
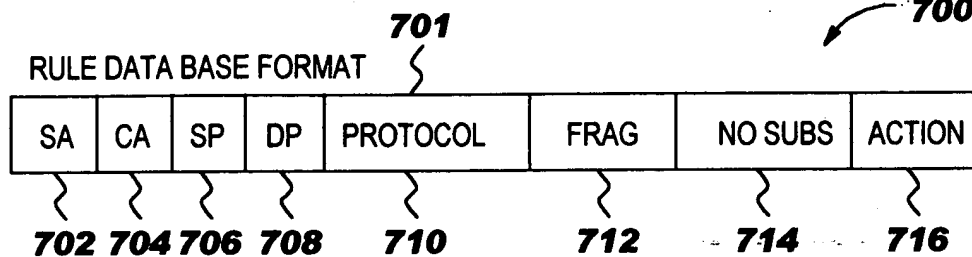


FIG. 7



SA = SOURCE ADDRESS  
 DA = DESTINATION ADDRESS  
 SP = SOURCE PORT  
 DP = DESTINATION PORT  
 FRAG = FRAGMENTED FLAG  
 NO SUBS = NOT SUBSEQUENT FLAG

FIG. 8

**800**

RULE DATA BASE

	SA	CA	SP	DP	PROTOCOL	FRAG	NO SUBS	ACTION
RULE 0								
RULE 1								
RULE 2								
RULE 3								
RULE 4								
RULE 5								
⋮	//	//	//	//	//	//	//	//
RULE N-1								

**802**  
**804**  
**806**  
**808**  
**810**  
**812**  
**814**

900



FIG. 10

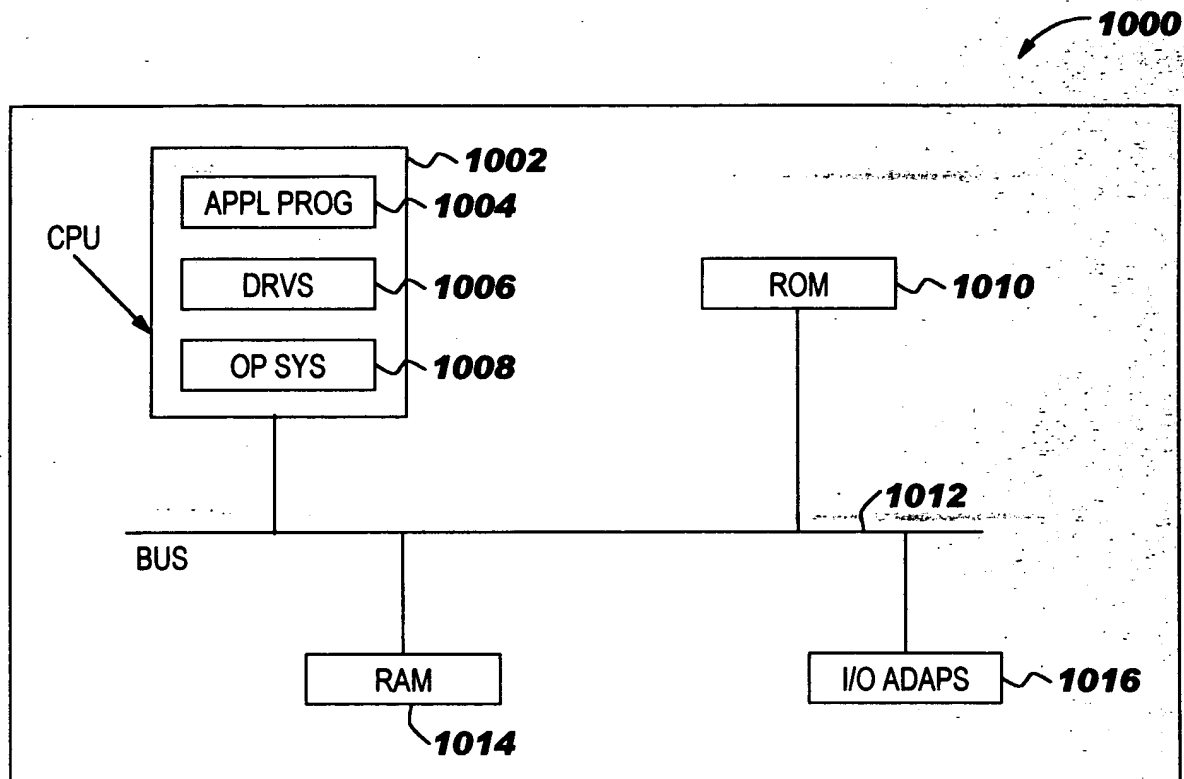




FIG. 11

1100

	Apply action for packets which are:	Fragmented <b>712</b>	Not Subsequent <b>714</b>
<b>1102</b> ~	Fragmented or non-fragmented	Don't care	Don't care
<b>1104</b> ~	Non-fragmented only	FALSE	Don't care
<b>1106</b> ~	Non-fragmented or first fragmented	Don't care	TRUE
<b>1108</b> ~	First or subsequent fragment	TRUE	Don't care
<b>1110</b> ~	Subsequent fragment only	TRUE	FALSE